

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on November 14, 2022, at 6:01 p.m. in the Council Room of Village Hall.

Present: Mayor John Barton
Trustee Michael Horrigan
Trustee James Gallagher, Jr.
Trustee Daniel Hogan
Trustee Jeffrey Gaulin

Absent: Attorney William Nikas

Upon motion made by Trustee Horrigan, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and unanimously carried, the minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2022, October 11, 2022, and the Special Meeting of September 27, 2022, were approved as submitted.

Upon motion made by Trustee Horrigan, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and unanimously carried it is;

RESOLVED, to approve Superintendent Michael Fiorillo to sign Annual Highway Work Permit Application.

Upon motion made by Trustee Hogan, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and unanimously carried it is;

RESOLVED, to approve reimbursement for petty cash in the amount of \$110.58

Upon motion made by Trustee Hogan, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and unanimously carried it is;

RESOLVED, to approve to reimbursement request from Derby Foundation for club house masonry work in the amount of \$4,635.

Mayor Barton explained that this reimbursement request is for a bill that was received for the clubhouse, that the village paid, and is now seeking reimbursement from the Derby Park Foundation.

Trustee Horrigan adds that the Derby Park Foundation is a separate fund from the Village accounts that will be connected to a 501 C-3. We are still waiting for final approval from the IRS, but donations can be made. Any monies spent out of the foundation fund must be approved by the Village Board. A brief description given of the masonry work that was completed under the invoice presented.

Upon motion made by Trustee Hogan seconded by Trustee Gallagher and unanimously carried it is;

RESOLVED, to approve Captain John Kibling to be appointed to Acting Chief of Police effective 8/29/22.

Upon motion made by Trustee Hogan, seconded by Trustee Horrigan and unanimously carried it is;

RESOLVED, the following monthly reports were approved as read:

Police Department, submitted by Acting Chief Kibling
Fire Department, submitted by Chief Thomas Bover
Code Enforcement Department, submitted by William Celeste

Upon motion made by Trustee Horrigan, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and unanimously carried, the following abstracts were audited and ordered for payment:

General Fund	Check Nos. 35214 - 35307
Water	Check Nos. 5896 - 5902
Derby Donation Fund	Check Nos. 143
Trust	Check Nos. 7838 - 7850
Payroll	Check Nos. 30971 - 31004
Fire 2%	Check No. 1010

Mayor/ Board Comment:

A reminder that the Hometown Holiday Celebration will be Friday, December 2nd. Joy Wicks-Lindsey from the school is working on a parade. She will be contacting the Fire Department. Trustee Horrigan adds that the person organizing is trying to get the school more involved in the community.

Trustee Gallagher mentions that someone has expressed their concern to him about requesting a yield sign as you come around Juckett Park and merge with River Street hill. Trustee Hogan states there was never a sign there previously and it is supposed to be a merge. The Mayor comments that he would be opposed to that sign suggestion due to it could be confusing. As you are going around the circle you are traveling about 5 mph and must wait to change lanes due to already not having the right of way. The traffic coming up the hill has the right of way. A brief discussion ensued.

Mayor Barton would like to discuss the appointment of John Kibling to Chief of Police. There has been previous discussion on this topic. There is a great opportunity to continue to have a dedicated employee to serve our community. He is requesting approval by the Board to appoint John Kibling from Acting Chief to the Chief of Police. Trustee Horrigan asks if there is an expiration to the employee contract, it is confirmed that there is no expiration although the contract can be changed if mutually agreed upon by both parties.

Upon motion made by Trustee Horrigan seconded by Trustee Gaulin and unanimously carried it is;

RESOLVED, to appoint John Kibling to Chief of Police effective 11/14/22, at the rate reflected in the contract between John Kibling and the Village of Hudson Falls.

Trustee Hogan would like to send his condolences to the family of John L. Barbieri. The Board collectively agrees.

Derby-Moran park is officially closed.

Public Comment:

Diane Santa-Croce asks about leaf pick up before snow falls. She mentions that they pick up the bags but not the piles. Mayor Barton is going to check in with DPW to see about the removal, the process and the timeline.

The next meeting will be held on December 12, 2022, at 6:00 pm.

Upon motion made by Trustee Gaulin, seconded by Trustee Horrigan and there being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Cassandra Allen, Village Clerk-Treasurer